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Façade of Soviet Pavilion at World's Fair by Night



THE MAGNIFICENT FAÇADE of the Soviet pavilion at the World's Fair has on it bust reliefs of Lenin (right) and Stalin. Below them are inscriptions of the two great leaders of the peoples of the world are inscribed two quotations. That of Lenin reads: "The Russian Revolution must, in its final result, lead to the victory of socialism." That of Stalin reads: "For the USSR socialism is something already achieved and won."

Britain Acts to Force Poles to Give Ground

Mediation Offer Hints Beginning of New Munich Drive

LONDON, May 8 (UP)—An announcement in the House of Commons that Great Britain is ready to mediate between Nazi Germany and Poland, in collaboration with other Danzig treaty powers, tonight aroused speculation that Britain may urge Poland to make concessions to Hitler.

The first public statement of the government's readiness to mediate.

A.F.L. Council Link To Manufacturers Is Bared in Letter

CIO Makes Public Correspondence Showing That Padway Asked N.A.M. Official for Data On Wagner Act Amendments

WASHINGTON, May 8 (UP)—The Congress of Industrial Organizations made public today a copy of a letter to Link Gilbert H. Montague, prominent New York lawyer; Colby M. Chester, General Foods Corporation head; and Joseph A. Padway, American Federation of Labor counsel, in the preparation of the AFL Wagner Act amendments.

The letter, allegedly signed by Montague and addressed to Chester, said that "Judge Padway has now asked me confidentially to prepare for him draft amendments of the act covering the . . . points on which he has now received instructions from the AFL Executive Council."

Padway declined comment on the letter before resuming his testimony before the Senate Education and Labor Committee, which is conducting hearings on proposed labor law changes.

Montague and Chester were not available for comment.

CIO General Counsel Lee Pressman said the Montague letter was only the beginning of "documentary proof" which CIO President John L. Lewis will present to the Senate Committee in support of his charges that the AFL is collaborating with the National Association of Manufacturers and anti-labor corporations in the labor law amendment campaign. Chester formerly headed the N.A.M.

GREEN DENIED CHARGE

AFL President William Green denied the charge in testimony before the Senate committee last week.

The letter said that Montague, who represented the Electric Boat Company when it was charged with violating the labor law, had "supplied confidentially to Judge Padway" during July, August and September "various legal memos and data he requested regarding certain National Labor Relations Act questions, and during the AFL convention in Houston this month (October) I responded to his hurry calls for additional legal memos and data."

The CIO revealed the letter coincident with an NLRB report to the House Labor Committee on pending Wagner Act amendments in which the board, opposing proposed enlargement from three to give members, quoted the arguments used by Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes when he opposed President Roosevelt's court reorganization plan.

USSR Sends New Envoy To Poland

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Britain Included in New Nazi Threats of War; Stress Rome's Role

BERLIN, May 8—Nazi Germany

today threatened Poland and Great

Britain in inspired press attacks

that the new Italo-German military

alliance will be used, if necessary,

to obtain satisfaction of Hitler's

demands on Poland. The blunt

warning appeared in the Hamburg

er Fremdenblatt.

Italy, the Fremdenblatt asserted,

is committed to fight if necessary in

support of Germany's demands for

Danzig and a Nazi route through

the Polish corridor and is fully sup-

porting the Reich on "all other

questions interesting Germany."

The newspaper of Propaganda

Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels, Der

Angriff, said that "the iron block

of Rome and Berlin is the domi-

nating factor in Europe."

Both Britain and Poland were

warned of military front from the

North Sea to the Straits of Brin-

disi."

Italian and Nazi aviation collab-

oration at Spanish naval and air

bases was believed to have been ar-

ranged in advance of Sunday's for-

mer's diplomatic weapons, he said.

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French Author Tells U. S. Writers Of Responsibility to Halt Barbarism

By Beth McHenry

Jules Romains, noted French au-

thor and president of the Interna-

tional P. E. N., literary society, yes-

terday told the World Congress of

Writers, convening at the World's

Fair, that "we are no longer able

to act as if tyranny did not exist.

Therefore, we must act in order

that it shall not exist."

Speaking at the opening session

of the three-day Congress in the

Hall of Music, the famous French

writer particularly praised the

peace efforts of President Roose-

velt and emphasized the necessity

for writers to give their every sup-

port to statesmen who have de-

voted themselves to a real defense

of peace.

"Each one of us should try to

add those statesmen of his own

and other countries who are

aware of the peril and have de-

voted themselves to an active de-

fense of peace and the values of

civilization," he said. "In the first

rank of these statesmen, it gives

me great pleasure to salute in all

Romains stressed the importance

of writers becoming "preoccupied

with civilization." Reminding those

present that it is no longer pos-

sible to speak only of "free verse

or the phonetic novel . . . or the

interior monologue," he said:

"Is it our fault to say: 'That was

the year of the military insurrec-

tion against the Spanish Republic.'

or 'it was the year of Japan's ag-

gression against China,' or 'that was

the year of Austria's suppression.'

or 'that was the year that Czechoslovakia was strangled?'

He mentioned the aloofness of

"distinguished literary minds"

in Germany of ten years ago as a fac-

tor in that nation's tragedy and

remarked the great need of putting

to use every force in the struggle

against tyranny.

Modern tyranny has as its dis-

posal the most penetrating weap-

ons and pierces those barriers be-

hind which the sages of another

age have hidden.

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JULES ROMAINS

our names President Roosevelt,

whose last message was clothed

with an enormous historic im-

portance."

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LAGUARDIA LEADS U. S. MAYORS IN DRIVE AGAINST W.P.A. SLASH

La Guardia Probe Bags 5 Cops in Racket Link FDR Today

Lieut. Cannon Charged With Larceny Plus Gambling Tie

Mayor LaGuardia's clean-up campaign against political racketeers yesterday netted five members of the Police Department.

Four cops charged with aiding Frank A. Erickson, gambling overlord and bookmaker, to get a pistol permit, face departmental trials at Brooklyn Police Headquarters tomorrow.

The fifth, former Acting Lieutenant Martin A. Cannon, until recently attached to Kings County District Attorney William P. X. Geoghan's office, was charged in a report issued at World's Fair City Hall with committing larceny, perjury and with failure to make arrests for violation of the gambling laws committed in his presence.

All five police are charged with being linked with the gambler king who was arrested last Saturday on orders of Mayor LaGuardia and now faces trial for vagrancy and perjury.

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Coal Pact Negotiators Meet With FDR Today

Lewis Says Opponents Are Same as FDR Enemies

By George Morris

Representatives of the United Mine Workers and bituminous coal operators following a five-hour meeting with Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins at the Baltimore Hotel last night, agreed to go to Washington this morning to meet with the President on a possible contract to end the deadlock which has locked out a half a million miners in the industry.

At the conclusion of the meeting Miss Perkins outlined the issues that have deadlocked the conference for eight weeks.

She said in the course of the afternoon stenographers had taken down statements from all participants of the conference which she compiled for a report to the President this morning.

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Stalin Greets 2,134 Red Army Graduates

Young Commanders Hear Army Rededicated To People's Security

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, May 8.—Joseph Stalin and other top-ranking Soviet Red Army leaders last night held a reception in the Kremlin in honor of 2,134 Red Army commanders who were graduated this month from the Academy of the Red Army.

Commanders, commissars, military doctors and engineers and officers in all services—aviation, artillery, tanks, chemical warfare, military transport, etc.—were graduated from the superior military colleges of the Red Army and are now being sent to various units for regular service.

With Stalin at yesterday's reception were Klementi Voroshilov, Mikhail Kalinin, Andrei Andreyev, Andrei Zhdanov, Anastas Mikoyan, Nikita Khrushchev, N. A. Bulganin, N. Kuznetsov, Lev Mekhlis, Simeon Budenny, Boris Shaposhnikov, Emelyan Yaroslavsky, Andrei Vyshinsky, Mikhail Kaganovich, A. S. Shcherbakov, D. Z. Manuilsky and others.

NO MORE CASTE SYSTEM

The Communist Party of the Soviet Union, from the first day of the formation of the Soviet Government, strove to create proletarian, Bolshevik leadership of the Red Army. In the past 21 years this task has been carried through to success.

Officers of the Tsarist army were a privileged caste closed to workers and poor peasants. The officers' corps included 53.5 per cent nobility, 13.7 per cent of so-called "honorable citizens by birth," 3.7 per cent clergymen, 3.3 per cent merchants and 24.9 per cent from other social strata.

A new commanding personnel was formed by the Revolution in the fire of Civil War. Voroshilov, People's Commissar of Defense, has called the Civil War "the main teacher and instructor on military affairs for the Bolshevik cadres."

The Red Army trained commanders of a new type, this being one of the prerequisites of the victory of the Red Army over enemies of Soviet power.

Capitalist states time and again have had a chance to convince themselves that the Soviet Union not only is the best equipped, but also the best-trained and officered army in the world.

READY TO FIGHT
It was the mere truth which Voroshilov stated on the Red Square this May Day: "The Soviet people can fight, not only can, but love to fight!"

"Should an enemy attack the U.S.S.R.," Pravda declares editorially today, "he will be smashed on his own territory. In order to hasten this victory with the least loss of blood, the standards of knowledge and culture of the commanders, military engineers and doctors, must be incomparably higher than that of the officers in any bourgeois army."

This was understood by the students at the academies, and they worked persistently to fulfill their important tasks.

They successfully mastered the treasures of Marxism-Leninism, a weapon which no other army in the world possesses. They take the best from old bourgeois military science, and carry forward the new, Soviet, military science upon the basis of the teachings of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin."

French Writer Speaks Tonight At Steinway Hall

Fernand Auberonjons, well known newspaperman and radio news commentator who broadcasts daily in French over a major American network on short wave to France and its colonies, will speak tomorrow 8:30 P. M. at Steinway Hall under the auspices of the French People's Front Federation.

In his lecture, entitled "Radio and the News," Mr. Auberonjons will speak in French of his varied experiences as a radio reporter, of the forces which assist him and those which hinder his vital and interesting work. He will also discuss the strict censorship imposed on the French radio by the Daladier government.

U. S. Prepares Huge Guard for Royal Visitors

WASHINGTON, May 8 (UPI).—The most elaborate arrangements to safeguard human life in the history of this country will be made by federal and state law enforcement agencies for the visit of King George and Queen Elizabeth next month.

Both branches of the armed forces, secret service agents, G-men, state and municipal police will be mobilized on a mass scale to insure their safety.

Names Treasury Counsel
WASHINGTON, May 8 (UPI).—President Roosevelt today nominated Edward H. Foley, Jr., of New York to be Treasury Department general counsel.

Vets Describe Heroism of Frank Ryan, Irish Leader, Held in Franco Dungeon

Art Shields, Daily Worker correspondent with the Loyalist forces in Spain and now in France covering the refugee situation, describes the courage of Frank Ryan, Irish International Brigade commander, now in a Franco jail, as told to him by U. S. vets before their departure for America. The veterans arrived in New York last Saturday.

By Art Shields
(By Mail to the Daily Worker)

LE HAVRE, France.—American veterans, just saved from Franco's prisons, paid the highest tribute to Frank Ryan, Irish revolutionary leader and major in the International Brigade.

Unanimously the 71 rescued veterans, urged Daily Worker readers to apply the strongest pressure to save Ryan from the fascist prison, where he is serving a sentence of 30 years after being twice sentenced to death.

"No one did more to keep up the morale of his fellow prisoners than Frank Ryan," said George Cunningham, of Toronto, Canada, who was arrested with him in the Major Attlee Company, March 31, near Calecete last year.

Captain Carl Geiser, American Commissar, who knew Ryan well; Max Parker, soldier from New York and many other Americans said the same thing.

Ryan, who led Irish and British men at Jarama River in 1937, who helped drive the fascist General O'Duffy out of Spain that same year, got his supreme test during

the Republican Army's retreat in the Spring of last year. Due to be sent home, Ryan refused when the military reverses began. He went back to the front and was captured by the Italian fascist Black Arrows.

"I suppose you are a Communist," snapped an Italian officer.

"I'm an Irish Republican," answered Ryan. "I'm not a member of the Communist Party."

"But if I were," he continued firmly, fixing his black eyes on the fascist, "I'd be proud to say so."

Soldiers told Ryan and the rest he was to be shot. Ryan, as an officer, was to go first.

"But"—said Cunningham—"Frank Ryan never acted

like a man who was to die. He continued to act like an officer in the Republican army, right in the face of the enemy.

"When fascist soldiers began robbing us of our shoes and our best garments Frank Ryan stepped up to the commanding officer and protested. 'I demand that our shoes and clothes be returned,' he declared. The officer was taken aback by Frank's courage, and so much impressed that he ordered the clothes returned.

"Frank's courage helped us all."

"Again at Saragosca Frank was tested. The guards ordered us to give the fascist salute—or else! Some men began saluting—they didn't want to die. Frank refused, and others refused with him. The guards didn't shoot.

"And at the prison near Burgos they ordered us to put on clean smocks, temporarily, to have our pictures taken. Propaganda pictures, they were to be. Frank refused. They threatened him, but Frank drew himself up and he had such a manly, commanding bearing that the prison authorities let him alone. He wouldn't dress up for the picture."

One of the prison officers, admiring Ryan, wanted to dine with him, but Ryan accepted nothing. He would eat nothing that the other men didn't receive.



FRANK RYAN

Two Presidents



PRESIDENT ANASTASIO SOMOZA of Nicaragua, left, greeted by President Roosevelt on his arrival in Washington. General E. M. Watson, military aide, is in front.

Pact of Milan Prefaces New Thrust - Berlin Months Ago

Britain Included in New Nazi Threats of War; Stress Rome's Role

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mal announcement at Milan of the decision to convert the Rome-Berlin diplomatic axis into a formal military alliance.

The Hamburger Fremdenblatt's threat to London and Warsaw, hinting that unless Poland comes to terms Hitler may find an early use for the alliance, was signed by Dr. Adolf Hahlfeld, prominent Nazi diplomatic writer.

ILLUSION ENDS

"Italy has now broken away from the 1919 front in a manner which permits no turning back. Now the last illusion is over."

"The military alliance is something which can mean but one thing. Both powers have pledged themselves with their weapons and their honor to fulfill the ideas they have for a new order in Europe and together they will resist every assault on their nationalities."

Hitler's own Nazi party mouthpiece, the Voelkischer Beobachter, said in discussing the pact:

"These maneuvers of the Democratic guardians of peace, who tried to break the axis, will be brought to naught."

Hitler, the newspaper added, has determined to follow undeviatingly the path he set for himself in his political testament "Mein Kampf."

Italo-Nazi War Pact Underway Months Ago

Details Working Long Before Formal An- nouncement

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LONDON, May 8 (UP).—An ex-

change of military ideas, equipment, training plans and officers by the high commands of the Nazi and Italian armed forces was underway several months before formal announcement of the Italo-German military alliance at Milan, the Yorkshire Post said today.

The newspaper, close to former Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, described the previous military exchanges as de facto alliance.

Announcement of the pact, it was said, means that the exchanges will be expanded to include officers of higher ranks in the Italian and German forces as well as measures for supplies of food and materials and means of counter-acting any blockade measures.

This will necessitate regular staff conferences and the planning of joint operations by the combined staffs, the newspaper added.

SHEEN TO SPEAK AT MEETING MAY 18

The American Friends of the Soviet will hold a rally and a meeting to be held at the Hotel Center, 109 W. 43d St., Thursday, May 18, at 8:15 P. M.

Vincent Sheen, the newspaper's correspondent, will speak on the importance of cooperation between the United States and the U.S.S.R. as a force in stopping fascist aggression. Dr. Corliss Lamont will preside.

Britain Acts to Force Poles to Give Ground Due Tomorrow

Mediation Offer Hints Beginning of New Munich Drive

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Chamberlain's badly-battered "appeasement" policy.

Chamberlain dodged questions from both sides of the House—Laborites and Conservatives alike—regarding the status of the dragging negotiations with the Soviet Union.

"The further views of his majesty's government have been sent to the British Ambassador at Moscow for the information of the Russian government and while negotiations are proceeding it would not be right to make a statement," Chamberlain said.

URGES "MODERATION"

The Prime Minister hinted that Britain urged Poland to exercise "moderation" and seek mediation when he said the Warsaw government was "aware" that London would "welcome an amicable settlement of the Danzig question."

He had no reason to doubt, he added, that Poland was fully "alive to the important considerations involved."

The talk of an "appeasement" revival has been based largely on Chamberlain's reluctance to enter into an outright military alliance with the Soviet Union.

Furthermore, it was revealed that Joseph Beck was instrumental in persuading Polish Foreign Minister Beck to take a conciliatory, though apparently firm, tone in his Friday speech rejecting Hitler's demands for surrender of Danzig to the Reich and a Nazi road across Pomorze province (the Polish corridor) to East Prussia.

MEDIATION OFFERED

Butler was asked by John Morgan, Laborite member of Commons, whether proposals for establishing a new Danzig rule would be presented for arbitration before an international tribunal.

"The status of Danzig," Butler replied, "is regulated by treaty. The question of any change in that status, in practice, is a matter in the first instance for the parties most directly interested in the treaty settlement. It is for them to agree on a method of procedure."

"It has been made clear repeatedly that his majesty's government stands for the settlement of international differences by friendly negotiation, arbitration and other peaceful means."

"It is at all times ready to lend its good offices at the request of either interested party."

**Police to Guard
Quins When They
Visit Royal Pair**

CALLANDER, Ont., May 8 (UP).—Police arrangements for protecting the Dionne quintuplets when they go to Toronto to meet King George and Queen Elizabeth were announced today.

The sisters will leave home for the first time in their lives on the night of May 21. The entire Dionne family will accompany them on their first train ride.

A personal police bodyguard and two motorcycle escorts will watch over them while they are away.

BRONX TENANTS LEAGUE HOLD RALLY TOMORROW

The Bronx Tenants League of the Third Assembly district sponsored a meeting to be held tomorrow at P. S. 23, Tinton Ave., and 149th St. The purpose of this meeting is to rally support for the proposed rent control bill to make the entire community housing conscious. The speakers for the evening will be Assemblyman Arthur Wachtel, Rabbi Miller, Rev. Eddie Hawkins, Harold Greenwald, and Leo Isaacson.

Furious Fighting In Progress Near Canton

Chinese Guerilla Units Penetrate City In North

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

CHUNGKING, China, May 8.—A furious battle continued to rage today within artillery range of Canton, South China's devastated commercial metropolis now held by the Japanese invaders.

Chinese troops were attacking from positions within six miles of the city limits, following a series of attacks on key sectors of the Canton front during the past two months.

On Saturday Chinese guerrillas units slipped through Japanese positions around Canton, entered the city from the north and took up positions near the railway station.

STREET FIGHTING

A furious street battle then ensued with Japanese units from the garrison of the city proper which were rushed to this zone in an effort to localize the gains of the daring Chinese units.

In addition, martial law was declared throughout Canton and all Chinese were forbidden to leave their homes, under the pain of imprisonment and death.

Sandbag fortifications have been erected at key street junctions, manned by steel-helmeted Japanese soldiers with heavy machine guns and other war equipment.

Tanks and armored cars, their machine guns pointed for instant fire, rumbled through the city on guard against further forays by Chinese guerrillas, and in order to keep the local Chinese population "properly" frightened.

Windsor Talk Is Broadcast To United States

VERDUN, France, May 8 (UPI).—The Duke of Windsor tonight broadcast a "peace" appeal to the United States.

In his first public speech since his address to the British empire on the night of his abdication, the former British king in exile made a plea for "understanding" among nations.

His speech, sent directly to the United States over the facilities of the National Broadcasting Company and then relayed back to Europe, was delivered from a microphone set up in the hotel of the rustic Le Coq Hardi of Verdun. It was not carried by the British Broadcasting Company.

ELEANOR BRANNON TO SPEAK ON FASCISM IN LATIN AMERICA

Eleanor Brannon, chairman of the New York City Division of the American League for Peace and Democracy, will address the American Friends of the Soviet League on Thursday, May 11, 8:30 P. M. at 108 E. 33rd St. on "Fascism Penetration in Latin America," the second in a series of three lectures on Fascism and its manifestations here and abroad.

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HOPKINS SLAPS BIG BUSINESS ATTACKS ON NEW DEAL; SAYS GAINS BELIE GLOOMY REPORTS

Scores Resolutions of Chamber of Commerce; Cites Recovery Data

WASHINGTON, May 8.—Secretary of Commerce Harry L. Hopkins declared today that he held no sympathies with resolutions adopted at last week's U. S. Chamber of Commerce meeting which called for scuttling the Wage-Hour Act, modification of tax imposts upon big business and outright repeal of other New Deal measures.

He met newspapermen shortly after returning from an overnight cruise on the Potomac with President Roosevelt and Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas. Hopkins had been away from his desk for ten weeks recuperating from influenza. He said he was feeling "fine—never better."

The lanky Cabinet member said he thought the Chamber of Commerce resolutions were unnecessarily gloomy and unwarranted in the face of improving business conditions. To a direct question on the subject he retorted:

"They certainly spread a lot of gloom around town. Maybe that's what encouraged me to get well faster."

CITIES IMPROVING CONDITIONS

"To read them, it would seem that apparently some of them don't believe in this economic system. They certainly sounded pessimistic and none of this pessimism is warranted on the basis of indications of bus-



HARRY HOPKINS

iness improvement on a good many fronts.

"For example, more private homes are being privately built than at any time since 1929. Industrial production in the first quarter of this year was 24 per cent higher than in the first quarter of 1938. The dollar volume of retail trade in the first quarter was 5 per cent greater than in the first quarter last year."

Hopkins emphasized that he didn't mean to indicate that construction was satisfactory but he didn't think the figures warranted the "pessimistic tone" of the Chamber's conference.

"The implications of some of their

Secretary of Commerce Back After Ten Weeks Of Illness

resolutions, such as that on wages and hours, indicated complete disagreement with the fundamental principles of this Administration," he said.

Hopkins said he didn't overestimate the importance of the Chamber's meeting. He referred to the fact that only 150 of the more than 1,300 delegates were at the meeting when the resolutions were approved. "National income in the first quarter is already at a rate of \$65,000,000 for the whole year as against \$62,000,000,000 in 1938. The whole construction industry is infinitely better. It surpassed the same quarter of last year by 43 per cent."

To a question whether he considered the first quarter business results an indication that the nation was in the midst of a new recovery movement, Hopkins replied:

"I don't want to indicate for a moment that the present state of our economics is satisfactory. Of course, there's every reason to believe that for the balance of this year there's going to be a steady and steady rise. However, I wouldn't call it satisfactory. I would call it encouraging."

The President, Hopkins and Douglass boarded the Presidential yacht Potomac yesterday afternoon, cruised on the Potomac River, and returned at mid-morning today.

Andrews to Address Negro Rail Workers

Wage-Hour Chief to Talk On Application of Act to Rail Employees

CHICAGO, Ill., May 8.—According to information received from A. Philip Randolph, International President of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, Elmer F. Andrews, Administrator of the Wages and Hours law, will speak at the National Conference of Negro Railroad workers in Washington, D. C. to be held at the Y.M.C.A. auditorium on Friday, May 19 at 11:30 A.M. His subject will be "The application of the Fair Labor Standards Act to the problems of railroad workers."

The administration of the Wages and Hours law is of the utmost importance to the Negro workers of the nation in all fields of industry including the railroads.

Mr. Elmer F. Andrews, formerly Industrial Administrator of New York State, will provide the conference with information which is vital to the Negro railroad workers receiving fair wages and hours consideration.

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AFL-CIO Rap Attack Against Picket Line

Reading, Pa., Unions Join in Protest on Police Tear-Gas Bombing

ERIE, Pa., May 8.—CIO and AFL joined hands here today in protest against police brutality in the attack Friday on a peaceful CIO picket line at the Erie Casket Co.

Representatives of both local unions appeared before City Council and protested against orders of Chief of Police George Christoph, who sent more than 30 patrolmen charging into the picket line, wielding riot sticks and hurling tear-gas bombs.

Almond Clough, secretary of Labor's Non-Partisan League, told Mayor Barber and members of Council that CIO pickets, striking against sweatshop conditions, stood by peacefully until police drove a wedge through the line.

Horner Brown, AFL demanded to know whether Mayor Barber or District Attorney Mortimer Graham was "handling this situation." Graham is notorious here for his anti-labor activities, operating through the Republican-controlled Chamber of Commerce and Manufacturers' Association.

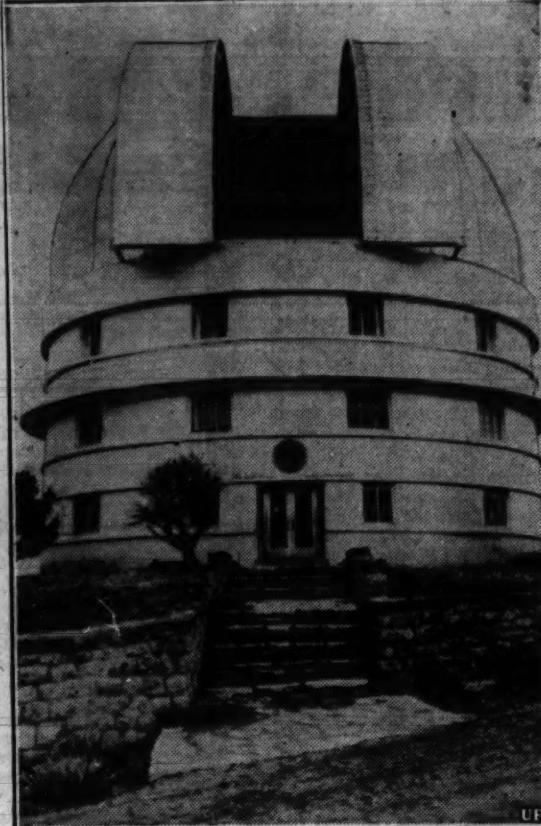
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New Star Lookout



MCDONALD OBSERVATORY as it was dedicated on Mount Locke, Texas. It contains an 82-inch reflecting telescope, second largest in the world. It is operated jointly by the Universities of Chicago and Texas.

Alliance to March At GOP Headquarters

Protest Demonstration to Cut 'Pink Slip' Drive Of Republicans Against Living Standards Of the People

The Workers Alliance scheduled a demonstration next Saturday at the national headquarters of the Republican Party and the Administration offices of WPA as pink slips for another batch of 13,740 WPA workers were being issued yesterday. A picket parade will begin at 70 Columbus Ave., WPA administration offices, at 10 A.M. At noon it will shift to the Republican headquarters, at 54 W. 40th St.

Letters were sent to the G.O.P. officials and Republican Congressman Bruce Barlow, asking that they explain to a delegation of dismissed project workers why they have directed their "economy" drive at the relief of the jobless.

In the meantime, last month's

Syracuse Housing Project to Give Jobs to 2,198

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 8.—With actual construction work about to start on the addition to the Syracuse, N. Y., slum-clearance and low-rent housing project, the United States Housing Authority today estimated that wages for direct labor on the site will total \$1,065,900 for the entire project and that construction materials for the 678 dwelling units will cost about \$1,225,800.

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Opera Premiere Sought

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100 Cities Find Value Of Projects Permanent

Tell House Committee Projects Desirable And Useful

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 8.—In the name of the United States Conference of Mayors, Mayor La Guardia today presented to the WPA investigating committee of the House Appropriations Committee a specially prepared report containing the record of what WPA has meant for 100 major American cities.

Brief extracts from some of the comments from city officials which were included in this report follow:

"There is no shovel-hanging in New Orleans. WPA workmen take a pride in their work. The type of construction that has been carried out compares favorably with private contract work."

"Thus, so far as any question of usefulness or worthwhileness of WPA projects in the city of New Orleans is concerned, the answer can only be that they have been most worthwhile and most useful."

"I do not hesitate to say that the WPA projects which Racine has sponsored certainly do represent useful and desirable work of public benefit."

"I wish to advise without reservation that the city of Buffalo considers the WPA projects which our city has sponsored of great and permanent value."

"Every project sponsored by Tampa under the WPA program has been useful and desirable. There has been a genuine need for every project and each has added some permanent structure or improvement of permanent value."

"Denver has consistently refused to make application for a make-shift or worthless project."

"In response to the question: 'Do the WPA projects which your city has sponsored represent useful and desirable public work of benefit to the City?', I desire to be placed on record that so far as the City of Reading is concerned the answer is emphatically 'Yes.'"

"We are justly proud of WPA results in this (Memphis) community."

"We (Davenport) have never had any boondoggling or leaf-raking projects."

"We consider all of the WPA projects sponsored by this city (San Antonio) to be most useful and beneficial to the city."

"The WPA projects submitted by us are carefully chosen, due to the fact that our financial condition does not permit the submission of these projects unless it has been determined that they are useful and desirable public work."

"I wish to advise that we (York, Penn.) would never enter into any WPA project unless such projects would be useful, desirable and beneficial to the city."

"Our City council (Greensboro) at the beginning of the various relief project adopted the policy of sponsoring only those which would be of benefit to the city and which were useful in character."

"We are of the opinion—and cannot be too positive—in our statement that the WPA projects which our city (Peoria) has sponsored represented very useful and desirable work of benefit to our city."

WPA Teachers Union Elects Levner President

The WPA Teachers Union, Local 455, AFL, yesterday announced the election of William Levner as president by a plurality of 466 votes.

Others elected are: Chester Barry and Nathaniel Thompson, vice-presidents; Helen Lokshin, executive secretary; Michael Morris, treasurer; Jerome Beuler, organizational secretary, and Badeleine Gilmore, general manager. Levner was formerly executive secretary of the union.

24 Navy Planes In Mass Hop from Canal Zone

CRISTOBAL, Canal Zone, May 8. (UPI)—Twenty-four U. S. Navy planes composing Squadrons No. 7 and 9 of Patrol Wing One today left the Coco Solo air base near here for a projected one-stop flight to San Diego, Calif.

The bombers, commanded by Capt. Mark A. Mischler, are en route home after participating in recent annual fleet maneuvers in the Caribbean and Pacific areas. The planes will arrive the night on the Bay of Fonscada, 600 miles northwest of Coco Solo, and tomorrow morning will continue their flight to San Diego.

U. S. Mayors Report Big WPA Benefits to Their Communities

LaGuardia Lists City's Gains From WPA and PWA Funds

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, May 8.—Mayor LaGuardia today made public a 103-page appraisal of the achievements of WPA and PWA in New York City. The Mayor's summary of his detailed report follows:

"At the outset it may be well to summarize the accomplishments under the Work Relief Program in New York City.

"Buildings: Fifty eight new buildings, mainly large structures, erected by the PWA; 379 new buildings erected and 1,740 existing buildings reconditioned by the WPA.

"Schools and colleges: Seven new high schools and 18 new elementary schools built; 49 high schools and 322 elementary schools renovated.

"Five new buildings erected for Hunter College, the new buildings of Hunter College equipped for use, and extensive repairs made to College of The City of New York and its stadium. New campus built for Hunter College and campus begun for Brooklyn College. Old Fort Schuyler being converted to house the New York State Merchant Marine Academy.

HOSPITALS

"Hospitals: Eighteen new hospital buildings erected, two old buildings converted to modern hospitals use, the new unoccupied nine-story Queens General Hospital equipped and opened, and practically all the buildings of the city's 26 tax-supported hospitals renovated.

"Public buildings: New county court houses erected in Queens and Brooklyn. Twenty-eight buildings erected and repairs and renovations made at nearly 350 locations.

"Central heating system installed for the Borough Hall group of buildings in Brooklyn and new elevators installed in Municipal Building, Manhattan.

"Health Centers: Nine new health centers built and construction begin on the first six of twelve projected baby health stations. New bacteriological laboratory built for department of health.

"Public Libraries: Ninety-seven library buildings modernized, one new building erected and others enlarged.

PARK BUILDINGS

"Park Buildings: A total of 108 new recreational buildings erected; two zoos demolished and completely rebuilt and a third zoo built.

"Sanitation Section Houses:

"Thirteen new section houses completed for Department of Sanitation, three more under construction and alterations made to seven existing buildings.

"Warehouses: Two large warehouses and five piers built and several warehouses remodeled to enable Department of Purchase to consolidate city stores. New Store houses built, for Department of Docks and eight new warehouses and shop buildings under construction for Department of Plant and Structures.

"Public Markets: The great Bronx terminal market overhauled and put to use and improvements made to three other large public markets."

"Fire Houses: Two new fire houses under construction, two more in planning stage and 115 fire houses repaired.

"Police Stations: Sixty-five police stations renovated.

"Armories: Twenty-four armories reconstructed.

"Public Welfare: Municipal lodging house facilities increased and 150 locations adapted to the use of the Home Relief Bureau.

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In the fall of 1938, the national cooperating agencies named a National Appraisal Committee. This committee evaluated and summarized the reports made by the State Appraisal Committee, and the 8,000 local reports, and formulated a nation-wide report fitting out its findings, and making recommendations.

In its findings the National Appraisal Committee pointed out that the 8,000 opinions from communities and the reports of the 42 state committees "are considered exceedingly valuable because among other reasons (1) they constitute, so far as this committee knows, the only comprehensive survey of this sort in existence, averaging more than 150 communities for every state in the nation, and (2) they are not limited to favorable comments but contain much candid, constructive criticism designed to correct some points on which present operation is unsatisfactory and which may be used as a basis for improvement."

STATES FISCAL SUMMARY

In a statistical summary of the opinions and judgments set forth in the national report, the committee said:

"Of all the reports from the communities large and small, especially answering the various questions put to them, 93 per cent stated that the work performed was badly needed and of permanent value; 79 per cent, that their own local fiscal condition was improved by it; 90 per cent, that work relief had been better than the dole, both for individuals and communities; 90 per cent, that the health, recreation, education and other non-construction activities have been worth while; 90 per cent, that community improvement had been advanced; 80 per cent, that the work had maintained the skills and employability of the workers; 85 per cent, that the quality of the

Island and improvements made to other parts of system.

"Bridges and Tunnels: Triborough Bridge built, connecting the Boroughs of Manhattan, the Bronx and Queens. One tube of Lincoln tunnel (Hudson Midtown) completed, second tube building. Work on Queens Midtown tunnel under East River.

QUEENS ROADWAY

"Lower roadway of Queensboro bridge repaved and long uncompleted tower of bridge finished, a new roadway added to Williamsburg bridge, terminals and approaches enlarged and improved.

"New bridges built at Westchester Avenue, the Bronx, and over Wallabout creek, Brooklyn. A total of 31 bridges repaired and 29 painted.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS

"Police traffic signals: City's traffic signal system extended by the digging of 41 miles of trench, laying duct and cable and laying 116 miles of trench and laying the necessary duct and cable.

AIRPORTS: Floyd Bennett Municipal Airport improved and work began on a huge airport at North Beach.

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EDUCATION

"Education: 145,500 adults are enrolled in the classes maintained by the WPA. Of these 21,200 are in the literacy and naturalization classes, 25,700 in vocational classes, 93,000 in various general adult education classes and a smaller number in workers' and parents' education.

DEMOLITION AND SLUM CLEARANCE

"Demolition and Slum Clearance: A total of 2,274 buildings demolished, including twelve square blocks for the Williamsburg housing

project, the new Brooklyn bridge Plaza in Brooklyn and other congested areas.

HOUSING: Two great low-cost housing developments completed, one in Williamsburg, and the other in Harlem. A third housing project converted a group of old tenements into modern accommodations.

MARSH DRAINAGE

"Marsh drainage: 25,326 acres drained, 400 miles of standard drainage ditch dug, 1,500 miles of old ditch re-cut and 2,750 miles of ditch cleaned. Weeds cut over 5,452 acres.

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"Hospital and health service: The staffs of the city's hospitals and clinics have been augmented by WPA workers to meet increased needs.

WPA physicians, dentists, nurses and other workers enable the city to increase its clinical and preventive activities including children's health services and the campaigns against venereal diseases and tuberculosis.

"At the present time the WPA personnel assigned to this work totals 4,430.

CLOTHING FOR THE NEEDY

"Clothing for the needy: Modern, well-equipped clothing factories are maintained by the WPA in which garments, bedding and other household necessities are made for families on home relief.

FREE LUNCHES

"Free lunches for school children: Free lunches for 104,000 school children, needy families are prepared in the WPA central kitchens and delivered to the schools.

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In a Bowl



MAYBE IT LOOKS like the wise men of Gotham who went to sea in a bowl, but actually they're Gothamites and visitors who went to the World's Fair. Crowd is trying to get into the General Motors Highways exhibit at the Fair

Michigan Alliance Begins 'Death Watch' Against Cuts

State Capital Gets Mass Picketing for First Time in History

(Special to the Daily Worker)

LANSING, Mich., May 8.—For the first time in Michigan's history a mass picket line is encircling the State Capitol Building, protesting the monstrous slashes of 35 to 80 percent in relief, and to prevent the impending eleven million dollars yearly slash desired by Governor Dickinson for the incoming two years.

The Governor narrowly missed the line this morning. The pickets are Lansing union men and Workers Alliance members who started to march at 9 A.M. today and will continue their night and day march until the Mass Security and Jobs Conference of the Alliance convenes Wednesday at 10 A.M.

As the Sunday School Governor looked out of his office window today he saw pickets marching past carrying a huge coffin covered with signs calling for \$20,000,000 for each year on relief.

The Republican budget balancers, despite the fact that the State Relief Commission has asked for \$20,000,000, state that there are too many on relief that "don't" want to work, as an excuse for their proposal to slash relief from \$20,000,000 per year to \$9,000,000.

2 RELIEF SLASHES

Families today in Michigan have suffered two slashes since the Republicans came to power January 1. The relief dependents were getting 4½ cents a meal and recently they were cut to two cents a meal, an estimated 35 to 50 percent slash.

Now with the new budget approved

the committee that he is a Republican but that he knows of no politics on relief on the part of the New Deal in his city.

Describing the severe unemployment situation in his highly industrialized city, he said that Cleveland would be swamped if anything should happen to WPA.

He declared that on the basis of his experience in Cleveland, "WPA has been successful, has been helpful."

Next on the witness stand came Mayor Kelly of Chicago who said that he didn't "know what would happen if there is any curtailment of relief," before a notary when in 1936 he was sent to Trenton, N. J., in connection with the kidnapping of Paul H. Wendel.

CHISELS ON EXPENSES

In this connection, Mr. Hendricks, Cannon put in a bill, dated June 2

Lincoln Brigadiers Return Home from Franco Prisons



N.M.U. Operators to Re-open Negotiations; Strike Continues

To Meet Separately With Oil Companies; More Than 100 Tanker Crews Out; Decision Follows 2½-Hour Conference With U. S. Board

What appears to be a definite break in the tanker strike situation came yesterday with a conference between the oil companies and the National Maritime Union at which it was agreed that negotiations for a contract would be reopened tomorrow.

The conference was held in the Times Square Hotel and lasted from 2 to 4:30 P.M. Representing the union were Joseph Curran, NMU president, Howard McKittrick, engine division secretary-treasurer, Neal Hanley, NMU agent in Marcus Hook, and W. M. Leatherwood, member strike policy committee.

The four companies, Standard Oil of New Jersey, Socony-Vacuum, Tidewater Oil and C. D. Mallory, were represented by a committee headed by C. E. Shaw, of Standard Oil.

They met with Claude E. Seehorn and Gregory Silvermaster of the Maritime Labor Board.

WANTED STRIKERS BACK

The union had originally demanded that, as a condition to the re-opening of negotiations, it had proposed that the companies, to show their good faith, return all strikers to their jobs.

After the conference yesterday, Curran said that the companies had rejected this proposal but had convinced the NMU negotiators that they were resuming negotiations in good faith.

The strike is three weeks old today. So far, 110 tankers have been struck and about 80 remain tied up. The strike was originally called to force the companies to agree to the preferential shop and wage increases in the new contracts. The old contracts expired March 31.

Approve 22-Mile Highway Around New Reservoir

KINGSTON, N. Y., May 8 (UPI).—Supreme Court Justice Harry E. Schirck today approved plans of the New York City Board of Water Supply for the location of a 22-mile, 33-foot highway around the new reservoir in Sullivan and Ulster counties.

The road will be within the lines of New York City property which was the object of contention decided by the State CIO Council.

The delegation planned to visit all of the Congressmen and the Senators from Connecticut on Monday in order to discuss with them the benefits of the Wagner Labor Relations Act in preventing industrial strife.

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Senators Robert F. Wagner, author of the Federal Health Bill, now being discussed in the U. S. Senate's Committee on Education and Labor, and Dr. John P. Peters, Yale University Medical School, secretary of the Committee of Physicians for Improvement of Medical Care, will be speakers at a conference of social service and trade union delegates Thursday evening, May 11 at 8 P.M. at the New School for Social Research, 65 West 12 Street, N. Y. C. The Conference is sponsored by a committee of thirty-nine public health, social service, trade union and community organization executives. The public is invited to attend.

Youth Taken To Scene of Arizona Slaying

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., May 8 (UPI).—A 22-year-old youth whose lifelong hobby was dabbling in abstract crime prepared today to retrace his transcontinental trail which authorities said began where the bound and bullet-punctured bodies of two men were found in the Arizona desert.

Sheriff Lon Jordan and County Attorney Richard F. Harless of Phoenix, Ariz., flew here and took Robert M. Burgunder in custody today. They said they would return him to Arizona to face charges of murdering Jack Peterson, 38, and Eddie Kouri, 25, auto salesmen. For the trip they expected to use the automobile in which Kouri and Peterson drove away with a prospector—Burgunder, the officers believed.

The tall, well poised, soft-spoken youth conceded that he had been with the salesmen on the day they were slain.

"We anticipate that as many as 1,000 inspections will be made by our engineers during the next three weeks," Holmquist said.

John Brown's Heritage to America Reflected in Fight Against Fascism

Led Movement Against Slavery Before Civil War

By Elizabeth Lawson
(Instructor in History, Workers School)

The year 1800 will remain forever a landmark for America's progressives. In that year, the great democrat, Thomas Jefferson, was elected to the presidency; Gabriel Prosser led his fellow-slaves in Virginia, in a mass revolt for freedom; Nat Turner, leader of the greatest of the slave insurrections, was born. And in that year, also, occurred the birth of John Brown, on May 9, at Torrington, Connecticut.

Reactionary historians have portrayed John Brown as flashing momentarily upon the scene, at Harper's Ferry in 1859; a man hitherto unknown, of questionable sanity, obsession-ridden, lacking support among the people, universally reviled by his contemporaries. But in this the historians have given us only the image thrown upon the distorting mirror of their own prejudices.

Today, when fascism threatens all that John Brown fought for, the progressive movement claims his heritage for the American people; it learns from the glowing story of his life and work how the freedom of the Negro people lifts up the entire nation.

UNDERGROUND RAILROAD

John Brown, descendant of a long line of American ancestors, early became known among freedom-loving people as one of the greatest "conductors" on the Underground Railroad, the network of illegal travel whereby more than a thousand slaves yearly were spirited away to free soil. He was "stationed" at important stops on the Underground system; he was also one of the group of singularly bold and able workers who made quick thrusts into slave territory to lead parties of fugitives northward.

From Missouri, on one such expedition, he carried off eleven men and women. So that they might not enter their own life destitute after years of labor, he calculated the length and probable value of their services, took from their owners property to that amount, and put it into the hands of the slaves.

It was the work of John Brown, more than any other individual, that saved Kansas for freedom when it was the focus of the slavery struggle. In 1854, a government subservient to slave interests repudiated the Missouri Compromise and, by the Kansas-Nebraska bill, threw open all territories of the Union to slave settlement. At once, there poured over the border from Missouri a rabble armed by the slaveholders, determined to vote Kansas into the Union as a slave state by violence and fraud.

But now began a great mass migration from the North—a popular migration against slavery. Financed by the dollars and pennies of millions of people, workers, farmers, writers, teachers moved westward into Kansas, to take up homes, and, if need be, defend them from attack. There followed an arduous clash a rehearsal for the Civil War.

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Marx Hailed Figure Who Died for Those 'Who Have No Rights'

gine-house and overwhelmed the band. On October 25, Brown and the remnants of his followers were brought before the Charlestown court for preliminary examination; on November 2, they were sentenced to die.

A grand jury, hastily summoned, handed down an indictment on three counts: treason to the state of Virginia, conspiring with slaves and others to rebel, and murder in the first degree. Each of these charges carried the penalty of death.

Charlestown during the trial and execution was a city besieged. The prisoners, four whites and two Negroes, were brought into court by armed men; cannon were stationed in front of the courthouse; soldiers guarded the roads. Reporters were at first barred, but the state of public feeling made it impossible to withhold the full details from the press.

HIS FINAL SPEECH

For one week, the eyes of America and Europe were on the Circuit Court at Charlestown. John Brown, suffering from a wound in the groin, another in the breast, and four sabre cuts in the head, was weak that he was carried to trial on a litter, performed in those last days the most effective work of his life against slavery.

On Nov. 2, he rose in court for his final speech. "I deny everything but what I have all along admitted," he said, "a design on my part to free the slaves... Now if it is necessary that I forfeit my life for the further ends of justice and maybe my blood for the blood of millions in this slave country whose rights are disregarded by wicked, cruel and unjust enactments, I submit. Let it be done."

John Brown was sentenced to die on the gallows on Dec. 2. During the thirty days of life that remained, he continued his work from the Charlestown jail. Letters poured in to him from almost every corner of two continents. To many of these he replied in his own hand.

"I do not feel myself in the least degraded," he wrote, "by my imprisonment, my chains, or the near prospect of the gallows. Men cannot imprison, or chain, or hang the soul. I go joyfully in behalf of millions that 'have no rights'."

The day of execution arrived, and Brown and his fellows went from prison to the gallows with the air of conquerors. For thirty-seven minutes John Brown's body swung in their, and even during this time his work went on. Mass meetings gathered at which people dedicated themselves anew to the cause he had served; it is recorded that when the doors of certain meeting halls were opened, people were swept in by the crowds without touching foot on the ground. All homes were draped in mourning, church bells tolled, minute guns were fired, and clergymen held services of prayer. Writers famously throughout the world wrote and spoke to make the name and deeds of John Brown known to the people—Hugo, Emerson, Whittier, Lowell, Longfellow.

The price of slaves fell catastrophically by tens of millions of dollars. A telegraphic dispatch of Oct. 18, from Washington, spoke of "a general stampede of slaves" in Virginia and Maryland, of the slaves' sudden "insolence" and their refusal to work. "In my opinion," wrote Marx to Engels a month later, "the biggest things that are happening in the world today are on the one hand the movement of the slaves in America started by the death of John Brown, and on the other the movement of the serfs in Russia."

Leading the soldiers that took John Brown prisoner at Harper's Ferry was a young colonel, Robert E. Lee by name. A little more than five years later, Lee, with the remnants of the Confederate Army, surrendered at Appomattox. Chattel slavery was at an end in America.

New Double-Deck 52-Passenger Flying-Boat



TWIN-MOTORED PLANE built by Consolidated Aircraft photographed at San Diego, Cal., just before its takeoff on a test flight. The 25-ton ship is capable of speeds in excess of 300 miles per hour. It is 72 feet long

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Tricks of the Press Against the Miners

Certain newspapers have been hard put in their effort to conceal the criminal responsibility of the mine owners for the present coal shortage.

The Daily News, for example, resorted on Sunday to the trick of printing a dope story with the headline "Miners, Operators Cool to Roosevelt Appeal for Peace." As if both were in the same pot, both responsible for the stoppage, both eager to provoke industrial strife.

Such a notion is untrue and maliciously so. Did not the miners propose to continue work under the terms of the old contract pending negotiations for a new one? And did not the operators, with their carefully laid plan to provoke a clash, deliberately reject Lewis' proposal?

The operators are out to weaken the United Mine Workers, one of the mightiest bulwarks of the labor movement, as the first act of an attack upon the unions everywhere. The miners understand the great issues at stake very well. That is why the half-million who are now idle, are displaying the most magnificent spirit and solidarity that the mine fields have ever witnessed.

Public expressions of support for the miners from unions—especially the unions of the A. F. of L.—and from civic and other organizations, can play a powerful part in this crucial struggle.

How to Suffer On \$200,000 a Year

There is a studied campaign to make it appear as if the Wall Street executives are having tough sledding these days as far as income goes.

For example, the papers reported the tearful news that "only two industrial leaders received salaries in excess of \$200,000 last year."

In order that our readers may not collapse from grief at this alarming situation, we hasten to inform them that even though William S. Knudsen, president of General Motors was not among the two highest he received \$124,000 salary in 1938. That's about \$2,400 a week.

But the whole thing is a trick any way. Most of the Wall Street gang do not get the lion's share of their incomes as salaries; they collect it as dividends, bond interest and rents. And THIS kind of Wall Street income is being handed out to a handful of stockholders and bond owners at the rate of FIFTY-TWO MILLION DOLLARS A WEEK, according to the Journal of Commerce figures last week.

So if you had tears for the President of the American Telephone Company who "earned" a salary of \$209,000 last year, save them. Wall Street needs no sympathy.

The People Break Through In Albany

The passage of the two anti-racial discrimination bills by the State legislature the other day, shows what can be accomplished when the people take the offensive, even on a small scale. These bills, barring racial discrimination in civil service, are two of the 11 progressive measures proposed by the State Temporary Commission on Conditions among the Urban Colored Population.

It was a victory for civil rights, in particular for the Negro people, the Jewish people, as well as for all other New Yorkers. It stands out all the more because these bills faced almost every conceivable handicap, entering their perilous journey to the Governor's desk with two strikes on them. To begin with, the reactionary Republicans control both houses of the legislature. They had succeeded previously in killing four anti-discrimination measures of a similar nature. They had buried in committees seven of the Commission's bills. And ever since the legislature has been in session the Republicans, working with the Tammanyites, have been on a rampage against the political, civil and economic rights of the people. The outlook in Albany appeared dark indeed.

But the Harlem Manhattan Citizens Committee, with outstanding support from trade unions, from liberals throughout the state, made the Tory Republicans backwater. They organized delegations to Albany, mass meetings and a letter writing campaign. The issue was the advancement of the democratic liberties and the enforcement of the recent Constitutional amendment.

Of course, the job is by no means over. These two measures are still to become the enforced law of the State—and there are still nine others to go. (Three bills—AL 1445, AL 1447, and AL 1454—are reactionary and

are opposed by the Negro people and the labor and progressive movement.) Still greater pressure of the people is needed for a grand slam victory.

But already this break through has shown that once the people develop their offensive to the maximum strength, the Republican budget proposals and their whole reactionary drive will be stopped.

The Shadow of the Swastika Over Senator Reynolds

When Senator Reynolds jeered at the plan to permit 20,000 child refugees from Germany to enter America, Fritz Kuhn, Nazi Bund leader listening at the Hotel Astor luncheon, applauded loudly. Watching this Nazi approval, Senator Reynolds said he was "tickled to death" to have it.

Reynolds' attack on the plan to save 20,000 children from Nazi brutality is not mere viciousness on his part. Reynolds knows exactly what he is doing. He is now engaged in making the Nazi Bund and the name of Hitler respectable in the United States. He returned from Nazi Germany determined to organize public opinion here to the same admiration for Fascism which he himself brought back with him.

That Hitler agents like the Bund gangs and the Senator from North Carolina should find each other's political activity so mutually congenial is a sinister fact. It explains a good deal of what is going on among the enemies of the New Deal.

It is rapidly becoming clear that on all major issues the Roosevelt-haters are becoming the willing collaborators of Hitler. This is true of the professional "isolationists" whose tirades against Roosevelt are loudly applauded and copied in Berlin. It is equally true of the latest anti-alien witch-hunt being drummed up by Congressman Dies and Senator Reynolds.

The Nazi Bund has watched with sympathetic appreciation the passage of the Hobbs "concentration camp" Bill now up for action in the Senate. It applauds Dies' and Reynolds' attack on refugees and "aliens" because the Bund understands that these attacks are aimed at democracy in the United States.

It is plain that Reynolds is not opposed to the "aliens" in the Nazi Bund; he is opposed only to the "aliens" who are for the New Deal. And very swiftly everybody who supported the New Deal would be an "alien." Even in 1936, the Roosevelt-haters called the New Deal "alien."

It is the picture of the Nazi Bund standing behind the Reynolds-Dies anti-alien witch-hunt which should arouse decent people into action against the Hobbs Bill. Write your Senator, and Senator George Russell, at the Immigration Committee, Washington, D. C., urging its defeat.

The Mayor Gives The Real Story

The testimony of Mayor LaGuardia before the House WPA Investigating Committee was a crushing answer to the Tories and witch-hunters who are out to destroy the WPA.

Irresponsible members of the Woodrum Committee had made wild charges of "waste" and "uselessness." But Mayor LaGuardia presented the opinion of 100 major city governments that WPA was doing highly "useful" work.

The Tories have been slashing the WPA appropriation and are now trying to wipe it out altogether. But Mayor LaGuardia, speaking not only for New York, but for the U. S. Conference of Mayors, declared that WPA—instead of being cut—should be expanded to provide work for ALL employable men and women.

That the great mass of people see the need for an expanded WPA, is shown by the fact that even such a reactionary Republican as Mayor Reading of Detroit felt compelled to accompany Mayor LaGuardia and back him up.

Mayor LaGuardia voiced the sentiment of the great majority of Americans. The Right to Work Congress, to be held in Washington on May 27 under the auspices of the Workers Alliance, will help organize this sentiment into an effective fight for jobs and recovery.

Terrible But Futile Revenge

Unable to halt the offensive operations of the Chinese armies, everywhere gaining momentum, the Japanese aggressors have exacted a terrible revenge.

Last Wednesday, giant Japanese bombing planes flew over Chungking, dropped huge explosive and incendiary bombs in the most overcrowded residential sections. The consequences were horrible. Between 3,000 and 10,000 were killed, blown to bits or burned in the rapidly spreading flames. Many thousands more were wounded.

Could fascist aggression be more savage, wanton, desperate?

If Tokio expected to terrify the Chinese government into halting its defense of the very life of the nation, the Nipponese murderers found their gory work was futile.

The Japanese allies of Hitler and Mussolini, by such warfare against unarmed Chinese men, women and children can bring intenser suffering, devastation, death, wounds and tears. Capitulation of China never.

Indeed, the whole Chinese people will answer this new example of barbarism by fighting harder, uniting ever more firmly, so that its perpetrators shall never become the masters of China.

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Cotton-Picking in Soviet Uzbekistan



UZBEK COLLECTIVE FARMERS shown picking the cotton crop on a cotton collective in Soviet Uzbekistan. Soviet cotton, which is of the best Egyptian variety, is rapidly becoming an important crop.

New 'Appeasement' Plots Heighten The War Menace

"Appeasement" of fascism is in the air again.

The whole Munich set-up which so disgusted all who wish peace and cherish freedom is being revived, according to the latest news from London.

As a consequence, the danger to world peace is immense. Instead of accepting the Soviet Union's peace front proposals, the British Tory abettors of Hitler are seeking ways of granting war-breeding concessions to fascism.

Last Friday the Chicago Daily News Berlin correspondent, Wallace R. Deuel, reported: "Hitler is still counting on more 'appeasement.'"

On Sunday, Hitler and Mussolini entered into a war pact. This alliance will prove most dangerous to the peace and security of Great Britain and France.

Yet yesterday, before the House of Commons, Chamberlain opened the way for further "appeasement" of Hitler, this time at Poland's expense.

Here are the United Press cable comments on this development:

"The nature of the statements of Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain and

COAL OPERATORS, MINERS MEET WITH F.D.R. TODAY

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made public at 4 P.M. Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins, who has been in the city several days, entered the conference room at the Biltmore Hotel.

With the Secretary of Labor present and President Roosevelt's telegram emphasizing the urgency of the situation before them, conferees ordered coffee in their conference room and met through into the night.

LEWIS' STATEMENT

At the same time, Lewis said that failure of the administration to come out in support of the offer of the UMWA has encouraged some anti-union operators to believe that they can ride roughshod over the mine union.

"Responsibility for the present stoppage in coal production in the Appalachian area does not lie with the mine workers," Lewis wrote.

"Four times between March 14 and April 1 they proposed an extension of the status quo of the industry beyond April 1, either to a fixed date or until a new agreement has been negotiated.

"Acceptance of either of these proposals by the operators would have resulted in no stoppage of production and no public inconvenience either as to supply or price.

"Failure of the Roosevelt administration to approve or sustain the mine workers' offer to keep the industry in operation caused many coal operators to believe that they had carte blanche from the Government to dismember the mine workers' union if they could. In consequence your department must accept responsibility for its own administrative blunder.

"You know further," he wrote to Dr. Steelman, "that between 70 and 80 percent of the bituminous tonnage now stopped from production are willing immediately to sign such a contract with the United Mine Workers of America and terminate, forthwith, the progressively increasing national emergency."

The decision upheld the lower court decision that the SEC may examine the records, but held that such data must be kept confidential. The appeals court suggested that the SEC transfer its inquiry to San Francisco.

RAPS NEW DEAL FOES
"In addition, you know that the arbitrary and unyielding attitude of this minority tonnage is being dictated by the remote control of financial and industrial interests opposed to the United Mine Workers, to the CIO, to collective bargaining, and to Franklin Delano Roosevelt."

Lewis further called attention to the fact that in Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky the state governments are withholding from the mine workers unemployment benefits.

Only Pennsylvania, he pointed out, has ruled that the locked-out miners have a right to unemployment insurance checks.

"The implications of this situation are obvious when one considers the political control of the four states in question," Lewis said. He further pointed out that the mine workers were the only party so far to make concessions.

"The President, in his message of yesterday," he said, "suggested

that the settlement be on a basis of 'give and take.' You are aware of the 28 proposals made to the Appalachian conference by the mine workers; that they have given, and the operators have taken, 27 of this number.

"Is it unfair to suggest that the mine workers propose to take the 28th point?"

Lewis here referred to all the demands on working conditions and wages that the mine workers withdrew on April 1.

AKS UNION SHOP

Lewis declared emphatically that published reports that the United Mine Workers demand "a closed shop" are untrue.

"Contra to published reports, the mine workers do not demand the so-called 'closed shop' with restrictions upon employment and managerial policy.

"The mine workers ask the acceptance in the agreement of the 'union shop' legalized by an act of the Federal Congress, or alternatively they offer, in lieu thereof, the elimination of the automatic, unilateral penalty clauses, so obnoxious in principle to any thoughtful citizen."

The penalty clauses give the operator a right to fine miners one dollar or more for every day they strike during the life of a contract.

"In simple language, the mine workers propose an extension, for two years, of the old wage agreement in all of its terms, schedules and conditions with the addition of two sentences in its enabling clause reading as follows:

"It is agreed that the United Mine Workers of America is recognized herein as the exclusive bargaining agency, representing the employees of the parties of the first part. It is agreed that, as a condition of employment, all employees shall be members of the United Mine Workers of America, except in those exempted classifications of employment as provided in this contract."

Lewis here referred to all the rules, prevailing in the Appalachian Coal Association, added to the difficulties in arriving at a settlement.

World Front

By HARRY GANNES



The Diplomacy Behind The Royal Pageant Enroute To the Western Hemisphere

King George VI of Great Britain and his family and retinue are on the high seas bound for the Western Hemisphere.

Many questions arise in connection with this royal visit. What is the purpose behind it? Has Chamberlain got a hand in this bit of lavish diplomatic publicity? How can the American people stymie any Munich intrigue that may be part of this monarchical tour? In what way can closer relations of peace and democracy of the American and British people be attained?

On the occasion of the visit of the King and Queen of England to Canada and the United States, despite the cunning purposes of the Chamberlains who organized the royal jaunt, the American people should express the closest fraternity with the peoples of Great Britain.

The strongest harmony of interests prevail between the great masses of the American and British people. Both earnestly desire peace, the halting of the fascist war instigators, the defeat of the British Munich traitors. By their enthusiastic demand for a peace front with the Soviet Union and their endorsement of President Roosevelt's peace proposal the British people have shown the role they are playing to defeat the warmakers.

Knowing full well the reactionary objectives of the Chamberlain manipulators in organizing the royal pageant to the Western Hemisphere, all those who would play into the hands of the Munich friends of fascism and the Rome-Berlin axis itself by provocative conduct and manifestations on the occasion of the tour of the British monarchs should be condemned.

Such putschist hostile demonstrations would be made-to-order for the Chamberlains and Bonnets as well as their fascist protégés. Any such manifestations, organized by provocateur groups, or any other desperate cliques or agents of fascist reaction, would be seized by Chamberlain to try to impress the British people with the lie that such hostile actions here opposed to his policy.

We know from the last similar royal state visit of the King and Queen to Paris in July, 1938, how Chamberlain conspired behind the royal robes for the "appeasement"—that is to say, the war incitation—of fascism.

But the way to expose the Chamberlains and their crafty stage-dressing is not by falling into the Trotskyite-terrorist trap, but rather of using the occasion to expose the role of the Munichers, to enlighten the American public, and as an opportune time again to impress the British people with the friendship of the American people against the Munich plotters and their war-mad fascist allies.

The Chamberlains would welcome the narrow, fascist-provoked riotous demonstrations as "proof" of the

**PERSONAL--BUT
NOT PRIVATE**

By DAVE FARRELL

**All About Dave's
Favorite Subject**

Here are a few idle maulerings of a rabid rooster that I've noted about this fledgling season. First the White Sox seem to have stumped the critics (thereby vindicating old man Farrell) with the swell showing they have made. I have insisted all along that McNair and Joey Kuhel were going to have great seasons and if this little item doesn't jinx them, maybe they'll get the club in the first division.

When Gerald Walker really starts to bang them, that is going to be a mighty tough club to beat. As it is right now they have the best defensive infield in baseball. . . . I have insisted from the start that Phil Cavaretta was not the right first baseman for the Cubs and I see by the papers that Gabby has finally given up on the boy, at least temporarily. Cavaretta can always be depended upon to hit one loud foul and then ground out to the first baseman, unassisted. As a fielder he leaves much to be desired. He has lot to learn about the art of tagging a runner when the throw is wide and to the left side of first base. Rip Russell, who is to replace him, can give him cards and spades in that direction. As for comparing him with Rip Collins—Ugh! Kuhel made him look like a novice in the city series played out in Los Angeles.

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to see that Gene Lillard is winning his spurs as a starting pitcher with the Cubs. There is quite a story in this boy. He was one of the hardest hitting third basemen in the Coast League's history, going up to the Cubs with a batting average in the .350s after having poled out 50 home runs in '36. Unfortunately he came up just at the time that Stan Hack was flowered into stardom and there was no chance to beat Laughing Boy out of his job, especially when one considers the difference in their fleetness of foot. Gene carries a load of lead in his gluteal region. The Angel management even hired Dean Cromwell, U.S.C.'s famous track coach, to work with Lillard and see if he could shake him loose; but there was no dice. So Gene did the next best thing—he made a switch in positions. He started to pitch for the Santa Barbara Merchants in our winter semi-pro league, which is as good as the average C in O. B. Going great things the Cubs sent him to San Francisco as part payment on the Joe Marti deal and then to Los Angeles, where he finally came through.

The next time people ask me why I beat the drums so much for baseball I'll give them another answer, one I haven't used before. Baseball is a darn good trade if you are any good at it. Two of my ball player friends who have been in minor league baseball for seventeen years, though never good enough to go up, Goldie Holt and Carl Dilmar, have been regarded by getting clubs in C and D leagues to manage. Goldie has the St. Jo team (last year's Ponca City club) in the Western Association, and Carl the Bisbee team in the Arizona-Texas League. After seventeen years they still are good enough for six and five hundred a month respectively. That's a lot better than most workers get after a seventeen years' sentence in most businesses.

To answer critics who belabor me for writing so authoritatively about the major league clubs in the East which they know I don't see I offer this explanation: As long as I can read a box score I know practically everything that has happened in the ball game. When I read a box score I don't look just at the number of times a player was at bat and the hits he got. I am much more interested in the assists and put-outs, particularly the first-mentioned. Knowing whether most pitchers are right or left handed and what their specialty is—speed or curve ball—I look to see where the assists are made. If the first baseman has most of the put-outs and the assists are credited to the short stop and third baseman I have a pretty good idea what he has been throwing. If they come from the other side of the infield I have another idea. If the outfielders have made a great number of put-outs it is another story to me. Ball players always study every box score they can get their mitts on. After taking a cursory glance at who is hitting they look to see who does the fielding. With that plus the number of strikeouts, bases on balls and extra base hits they can practically replay the game in their own minds. But of course, to paraphrase Gelett Burgess, "I'd rather see than read one."

I was extremely shocked when I read of Freddie Hutchinson's debacle with Detroit. At first I couldn't understand it, particularly the five bases on balls in one inning against the Yankees. But the whole thing became apparent when I read that manager Del Baker had changed Freddie's wind-up and pitching style. Why did he have to "improve" on a boy who had won 25 games in his first year in baseball? Suppose Freddie did not have the fastest ball in the world. He had uncanny control of a curve ball that broke at 90 degrees. The legend that one needs a fast ball as a chief stock in trade is ridiculous. The ability to cut corners with curve ball is all a pitcher needs provided he has a little bit of zip and Freddie's fast one is hardly a bean bag.

Until the clubs have been "once around" I will waste none of my Grade A-Certified Deep Thinking on their pennant chances.

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RUBBER MATCH COMING UP!



Another Angle on Henry vs. Pedro

Dear Les,
Complaint department, please, on account of I am annoyed. In fact, I am prompted to rise and remark "nuts" because of Dave Farrell's use of the term "killer instinct" in his piece on Pedro Montanez the other day.

Attributing this characteristic, a remnant of the dime-novel-thriller school of sports writing, to a fighter may make passable copy on dull days when the desk calls for a yarn nevertheless; but in my opinion it contributes nothing to the fan's understanding of the pug under discussion.

What is usually meant when a glover-tosser is said to possess this "killer instinct" is that he has developed the faculty of sensing when an opponent is foggy and ripe for the crusher. And because his lack of a paralyzing punch, Jack Dempsey, Tony Canzoneri, Jimmy McLarnin and Benny Leonard are other names which come to mind when I consider which of the pugs I've seen in action could be placed in the "killer" category.

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So much for my points of difference with **Devastating Dave**. On the score of respect for the ability of Pedro I'm right with him. I think the boy has everything necessary to make a champ—but I'm not so sure he'll ever be one so long as Hammerin' Henry's around to block his path.

From the customer's angle of vision the fighter who tears in and slugs his fellow practitioner into insensibility looks indeed ferocious.

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Personally, being an emotional egg, I'd prefer that the two never met, so that neither would have to lose. That would do the public out of what promises to be a rip-

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Cards Edge Dodgers, 1-0 Lee Stops Giants, 4-2 Yanks Lose, Drop to 2nd

Cavaretta Breaks Leg at Polo Grounds; Hub O. K. In Debut

A very eventful afternoon at the Polo Grounds yesterday saw a severely shaken up Chicago line-up turn on the Giants, a Cub outfielder break his ankle, Hal Schumacher accompany him to the hospital with a damaged finger and Carl Hubbell make his long awaited appearance on the mound, in the role of relief pitcher.

Taking him in order: the revised Cub line-up found Billy Herman, Hank Lieber, Joe Marti on bench as Gabby Hartnett tried to inject new life into the fading NL champs. The line-up clicked behind Big Bill Lee to win 4-2, as Lee's home led a 9-hit attack.

The broken leg belongs to Phil Cavaretta, who singled and stole second in the second inning, and twisted his leg in the latter process. He was carried off the field and rushed to the Polyclinic Hospital, leaving rookie Rip Russell as the only Cub first sacker available now.

Hal Schumacher, still failing to show much stuff, had his left thumb jammed when Gleeson batted a hit off his glove in the Cubs' big third, which also saw singles by pitcher Lee (three hits), Augie Galan and error by Whitehead and a two-run hit by Carl Reynolds.

Finally Carl Hubbell. The veteran southpaw made his first appearance this year and showed lenity in disposing of Cub's four pitched balls in the eighth, and in the ninth getting Herman on a foul and Lee and Bartell on strikeouts.

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So everybody's in the race and did anybody ever see a race like this?



BILL LEE

'Cellar' Pirates 2½ Off Lead!

After a day which saw all second division opponents beat their first division opponents, the standings in the most hectic race ever put on by the National League showed last place Pittsburgh only 2 and a half games behind league leading Cincinnati.

At Boston, pitcher Jim Tobin broke up his own ball game with a single in the ninth to beat the Bees and McFayden 3-2. It was the fifth straight defeat for the crumbling Bees, who dropped to fourth place.

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